

## **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

[ SEQ CHAPTER \h \r 1]**Peninsula Plating Settlement Approved, Blades, DE** - The United States Department of Justice has approved an agreement with the Putnam Group that will allow for the reuse of the property. Under the terms of the agreement, the Putnam Group has agreed to pay the United States \$75,000. In return for this payment, the United States will release its judgment lien against the Peninsula Plating Site. The Judgment lien was the result of a cost recovery action involving the Peninsula Plating Site. The lien had encumbered a six-acre parcel of real property in Blades Delaware. The Putnam Group intends to demolish the buildings that remain on Site and to take additional response action that will make the property suitable for residential use. The agreement also provides for an additional payment if the Town of Blades approves a zoning change that will allow more than 20 housing units to be built on the property. This land reuse project became a viable option because of cooperation among the mortgage holder, EPA, the Town of Blades, the Putnam Group and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources. (Leo Mullin, 4-3172, Robin Eiseman, 4-2612)

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